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Sincerely,

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It's very simple. Your vote on this particular issue will absolutely determine my vote for YOU. But more importantly than that, think about the bigger picture. Not just the future of what America is going to be, but also the past of what it was SUPPOSED to be.

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